

JEROME WINS AT ALBANY.

HIS CODE AMENDMENT TO GO THROUGH AS HE WISHES.

Senate Committee Will Reverse Itself—Only Odell Can Block It Now—Touts at the University Club, Says Jerome—He'll Make Vanderbilt Testify.

ALBANY, March 17.—After the presentation of facts to the Senate Codes Committee to-day by District Attorney Jerome of New York city, it was shown that the only persons who stand to protect Dick Canfield, whom Mr. Jerome referred to as "an ex-convict," are the three high-minded men who stand as the Governor's representatives in the Senate. They are Senators Nathaniel Elsborg of New York city, Edgar Truman Brackett of Saratoga, the friend, legal adviser and representative in the Legislature of Canfield, and Elton R. Brown, who is a "mooch" for the other two.

There is little likelihood that the three will succeed in making it impossible for Mr. Jerome to prosecute Canfield. Should the committee refuse to strike out its amendment making the law effective only after Sept. 1, the Senate is prepared to take that action. But it is altogether probable that the committee will not give them the chance.

After to-day's hearing the committee went into executive session. Senator Elsborg said that no committee report would be made until Monday night, and declined to say whether the Jerome bill had been touched upon. But from another source it was learned that the committee had decided to reverse itself, and had restored the bill to its original form and to take effect immediately. This means that the bill will be passed at this session of the Legislature, unless Mr. Odell comes to the aid of his three "wiser" heads in the Legislature, Brackett, Elsborg and Brown.

Senator Brackett did not go near the committee room, but remained in the Senate chamber. He knew that Mr. Jerome was prepared to say things that would make him uncomfortable. Mr. Jerome left nothing unsaid which would show whom he wanted the law for and what his object is. He said it was to send Richard A. Canfield to prison. He is sure that if he can get the law he can do this.

"Canfield will never dare stand trial," he said. "He will either plead guilty or go to Europe. When I started after him he offered to plead guilty if I would accept a suspension of sentence or a fine. Neither of these would I accept, and he has been throwing all the obstacles possible in my way. An innocent man has nothing to fear from this law. But Canfield knows he is guilty and I will prove him such. This law would have a serious effect. It would have the effect of sending to prison this man who so brazenly defies the laws. But I promise you that if I get this law I will see that his house in East Forty-fourth street is closed. It will have the effect of sending him to prison, and if he stands trial it will be an extremely heavy punishment that he will receive. This will be an excellent law for a second offense. I have proof that he was convicted as a common gambler."

Senator Elsborg attempted throughout the hearing to show that he doubted the wisdom of the Legislature enacting anything that would impair the constitutional rights of any man. His solicitude at first was for the young man who had been convicted of gambling and gambles knowing that the Constitution gives him protection that the Legislature sought to nullify by this bill. Mr. Jerome taunted him:

"How did he know the Court of Appeals was going to reverse itself? I suppose he had means of knowing that the court would do this. Had he gone to any lawyer previous to the Lewisohn decision, the lawyer would have told him the law compels him to testify. This bill simply seeks to put the law back to where it was supposed it was for the past eighty years."

Then Senator Elsborg became solicitous for the man who innocently dropped into a place, say like Long Branch, to look on, and Mr. Jerome added:

"And like it was at Saratoga until I got after the man who runs the game, and like it will be next summer if this amended bill goes through."

Senator Elsborg endeavored to show that it would be a disgraceful thing to get a man into court to testify that he saw gambling going on when he simply visited the place out of curiosity. Mr. Jerome sought to reassure him that unless a man was doing wrong he would have no fear of this proposed statute. Then Senator Downing asked Mr. Jerome if he didn't have some special case in mind for which he wanted the bill. He said:

"Why, yes, every one knows that I need it to prosecute Richard A. Canfield and to get Reginald C. Vanderbilt into court to compel him to testify that he lost money at Canfield's and which he paid with post-dated checks and I. O. U.'s. By leaving this law as the committee has amended it, it prevents that. It protects the men I am most anxious to get. This bill will affect one case that is pending if I can get the law, and it will affect it quite seriously. If you give me this law every guilty man will be convicted. If you do not pass the bill in its present shape, then it will let out this particular man completely. Now, understand that whatever you do affects him. If the bill is passed as originally introduced, it affects him. If you pass the bill in its present form it affects him by letting him go away. But his is not the only place I am after. I can tell you. Every one knows there are four or five places like it in New York."

"A couple of men from the University Club," said Senator Elsborg, "came to me and said you were trying to subpoena them when they had never gambled."

"Oh," replied Mr. Jerome, "I know the man you mean. He is the one who simply writes his O. K. on his coat which admits strangers to Canfield's. Well, if this law goes through it may be necessary to get him on the stand to tell something. But if this law goes into effect there will be no real danger of that, for Canfield will not dare stand trial. Give me this law and I promise you that unless these big places close there will be a lot of your friends from the University Club and some from my own club, to tell what goes on inside of those places. But your University Club friend who acts as a tout for Canfield's need not fear, the place will close up."

Duke of Aosta Breaks a Leg.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

TURIN, March 17.—The Duke of Aosta, cousin of the King and heir-presumptive to the throne, was thrown to-day while riding and his left leg broken.

MRS. RHOADES'S LOST JEWELS.

Cab Driver Who Had Her Suit Case on His Back Arrested.

Mrs. J. Harnen Rhoades, Jr., of 102 East Thirty-fifth street, while on her way to Boston on Feb. 11, was robbed of a jewel case containing about \$5,000 worth of jewelry. The police have got two prisoners whom they accuse of the robbery, and they have recovered some of the jewelry.

Mrs. Rhoades accompanied by a woman friend, was driven to the Grand Central Station in a cab hired of Seash's Opera Stables, at 48 East Thirty-second street. The jewel case was in a suit case, which the cab driver carried on the box to the station. When Mrs. Rhoades opened it in Boston the jewel case was gone.

She reported the loss to Inspector McCloskey on Feb. 24. Detective-Sergeants Connelly and Summers found in the pawnshops here a \$1,500 string of eighty pearls having gold clasps set with diamonds; a three-stone diamond ring, a ring set with a sapphire and diamonds, and a square breast-pin set with sapphires, rubies and twelve diamonds.

The pawnbrokers' description of the man who had pawned the jewelry fitted Oliver Finley, a driver employed by Seash, and yesterday the police arrested Finley.

Finley, they say, tells them that John Hendricksen, another driver, gave him the jewelry to pawn. Hendricksen, they also say, was the man who drove Mrs. Rhoades to the station. The police arrested Hendricksen. He denies all knowledge of the matter.

Finley has told where he pawned a lot more of the jewelry and much of it is likely to be recovered. It includes an 8-shaped hair brooch set with thirty-nine diamonds, a ring with a star diamond, and several other rings and brooches.

WOMEN AT THE POLLS.

They Help Elect Village Officers, but Vote Down All Appropriations.

MIDDLETOWN, N. Y., March 17.—Because eleven women exercised their privilege of voting, the village of Washingtonville is threatened with a tie-up. There was no trouble about the election of the village officers, the women apparently not caring who was elected, but there was a list of appropriations to be voted on to enable the officers to operate the different departments for the ensuing year.

Several of the women with political aspirations decided that taxes were too high, and succeeded in getting a large number of their sex to the polls. But at that point all but eleven bolted. These eleven marched in and boldly cast their ballots, all of them against the appropriations, and when the votes were counted it was found that there was just eleven majority against all the propositions.

The village treasury is empty, and because there are no funds to work with there is talk among the newly elected officers of refusing to serve. Woman suffrage is at a low ebb in Washingtonville just now.

INVOLVES PROMINENT MEN.

Their Names Are Designated as Recs and Decs in Defamation Suit.

BOSTON, Mass., March 17.—The name of one of the best known lawyers of Cambridge, who died recently, is being brought before the court in the Cambridge Superior Session in a most compromising way. The case under consideration is the suit of Mrs. Mary Ellsworth of Lincoln for \$20,000 against Jacob Lacker of Watertown, charging defamation of character.

With the name of the lawyer that of another well known man is being used in a similar manner. In order to keep the names from the court records the names "John Doe" and "Richard Roe" are substituted.

The trouble between Mrs. Ellsworth and Lacker is of long standing. The plaintiff charges that Lacker said she had received a piano from "John Doe" and a part of her furniture from "Richard Roe," for which she had been obliged to pay nothing, and that he alleged that she got the property by improper conduct.

KEIFER NAMED FOR CONGRESS.

He Defeats Congressman Kyle in Ohio—Get Appointment the Cause?

SPRINGFIELD, Ohio, March 17.—Gen. J. Warren Keifer of Clark county, former Speaker of the House, was nominated this afternoon by the Seventh district Republican convention for Congress, on the first ballot. Harry Daugherty of Fayette and Charles H. Mays of Pickaway county were elected delegates to the national convention.

Keifer received 154 votes, while only 125 were necessary to a choice. Resolutions were unanimously adopted, declaring the death of Senator Hanna, ex-Gov. A. S. Bushnell and ex-Gov. Charles Foster. A resolution was also passed approving the administration of President Roosevelt, favoring his renomination and instructing the delegates to vote for him.

E. E. Scobey says Congressman Kyle can attribute his defeat largely to his appointment of Joseph Gest as postmaster of Washington Court House, against the wishes of Harry Daugherty.

LEADER HEALY GETS OUT.

Platt-Odell Serp Coming at First District Primary.

The executive committee of the Republican county committee received yesterday the resignation of Martin Healy, the leader of the First district, as the executive member from his district. He has been the leader of the district fourteen years and the ostensible reason for his retiring is that he wants to devote more time to his private affairs.

SENATORS PLAY JAI ALAI.

THE CUBAN GAME ILLUSTRATED IN SECRET SESSION.

Mr. Proctor Tries to Show How It Goes, but Is Corrected by Mr. Cockrell, Who in Turn Is Prompted by Mr. Pettus—Blackburn, Quarles, Scott and Alger in It.

WASHINGTON, March 17.—The Senate chamber this afternoon was the scene of a picturesque demonstration of the mysteries of the game of jai alai, which was discussed in connection with the nomination of Gen. Wood. The scene occurred behind closed doors. Nearly every member of the Committee on Military Affairs took a hand at explaining the fine points of the game, the committee having had the benefit of expert testimony during the Wood hearings.

Mr. Proctor of Vermont sent out to his committee room for several hand-rackets such as are used in the Cuban game. As Mr. Proctor had been in Cuba and, seen the game played, Mr. Quarles of Wisconsin asked him to demonstrate to the Senate how it was done. Mr. Proctor fitted the racket to his hand, the great basketlike affair strapping a foot or two beyond the ends of his fingers. Then he went through the motion of scooping up the ball and hurling it against a wall and catching it on the rebound.

"That's not exactly it," interposed Mr. Cockrell of Missouri. "I have been down there and I'll show you."

He took a racket and, getting out in front of the President's desk, executed a swing in the style of the Spanish jugglers. "It's more like that," he said.

"I beg the Senator's pardon," piped up the junior Senator from Alabama, Mr. Pettus, the oldest man in the Senate. "I think he will agree that the game, as explained to the committee by the experts, differed materially from his demonstration. If I may be allowed to illustrate my idea, it will be more clear to the Senators."

Thereupon he took a racket, adjusted it, with deliberation, and chose an open space. "You take the ball, so," he explained, "and then throw it forward and upward with force," suiting the action to the word. "Then you catch the ball on the rebound and immediately hurl it to the appointed place with precision and energy."

He turned, hurled the imaginary ball at an imaginary wall and deftly caught it in his hand. The knot of Senators, smoking and sitting about in the careless manner of an executive session, laughed with glee as Senator Pettus demonstrated his ability to play jai alai. He was followed by Senators Blackburn, Quarles, Scott and Alger, all of them adding something to the education and amusement of the Senate.

Those who oppose the confirmation of Gen. Wood illustrated their contention that the game was worthless without the gambling features, which are prominently displayed on the wall with the score made by the players. Those who favor Gen. Wood, like Mr. Proctor, declared that the gambling feature was a mere incident, and that the game itself was exhilarating, lively, healthful and entirely innocuous.

"I watched the game closely and enjoyed it thoroughly," said Mr. Proctor, "and I did not see any gambling in connection with it."

Mr. Quarles concluded his speech in favor of Gen. Wood, devoting almost the entire time to a discussion of the jai alai concession and Gen. Wood's acceptance of a silver set from the promoters of that concern. It was his speech that led to the demonstration of the game, which diverted the Senate for an hour.

Mr. Alger may speak for a few minutes before the vote is taken. It is understood that he has given to Mr. Forsaker a letter from Senator Teller to Gen. Wood, dated Feb. 15, 1901, congratulating Gen. Wood on his promotion to the grade of Brigadier-General, and that Mr. Forsaker will ask Mr. Teller to explain why he has changed his attitude toward Wood.

Mr. Forsaker is scheduled to speak to-morrow. Mr. Teller intimating that he might decide not to make a speech.

STUNS THE BRIDEGROOM.

Guest Knocks Him Out With a Bag of Rice and Delays Couple's Departure.

FRANKLIN, Mass., March 17.—Rice throwing put a sudden damper on the spirits of a big party of wedding guests at the railroad station here last night. Miss Edna Hatch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Hatch, had been married early in the evening to Dana Cochrane of Walpole. A reception followed, and when the couple departed most of the guests accompanied them to the station.

After the bride and bridegroom got into the car their friends followed, each carrying a quantity of rice. One friend, with the purpose of covering Mr. Cochrane with rice, struck him on the head with a paper bag full.

The bridegroom fell over in his seat and became unconscious. He was carried into the station and a physician was summoned. The train was held fourteen minutes in the hope that the bridegroom would recover, but he revived slowly and the train proceeded on its way.

Twenty minutes after the occurrence Mr. Cochrane recovered consciousness and was taken back to his father-in-law's residence.

THE WAITER BEGGED.

Got the Names by Collecting the Dinner Cards.

A new dodge in the begging letter game was discovered by James Longworth, Longwell or Longquill, or Victor Scott—he answers to all the names—who was arrested yesterday by Officers Barry and Flynn of the Charity Organization Society's mendicancy squad. Longworth was a substitute waiter who was often employed during the winter at banquets in the hotels and clubs. After the dinner he made a practice of gathering the dinner cards, and thus getting the names of the men who were present. Then he wrote begging letters.

G. W. VALENTINE SURRENDERS.

Young Man Who Stole \$620 From the Colonial Bank Gave Himself Up.

WINSTON, N. C., March 17.—A man who gave the name of G. W. Valentine walked into the police station here to-day and informed Chief Crutchfield that he had been a fugitive from justice for more than a year, and that he wanted to surrender.

Valentine says that while playing teller in one of the branches of the Colonial Bank in New York city in 1902, he absconded with several hundred dollars of the bank's money.

Valentine says that after leaving New York he went West, and later to Mexico, where he has been most of the time. He appears to be anxious to return to New York and stand trial.

George S. Carr, the cashier of the Colonial Bank's branch at 480 Columbus avenue, asked the police, on March 6, 1903, to arrest G. W. Valentine, a teller, whom Carr charged with taking \$620 in cash on Dec. 2, 1902.

SLICK EFFORT TO DODGE DUTY.

Importer Tried to Get Valuable Jugs in Free by Filling 'Em With Whiskey.

PHILADELPHIA, March 17.—Hereafter when spirituous liquors are imported, duty must be paid on the jugs and bottles as such, as well as on the liquor. This notice was sent to-day by the Treasury Department to Collector of the Port Thomas. Hitherto when liquor was imported no attention was paid to the receptacle which contained it.

A New York importer saw the possibilities of Uncle Sam's laxity. He gathered together some high class earthenware and filled it with Irish whiskey, and the lot was shipped to him as an importation of whiskey. The customs inspector reached the conclusion they were putting up whiskey in jugs of an unusually high character, and held the shipment up until he investigated.

The importer insisted that he was merely bringing in whiskey, and the value of the jugs was a mere incident. The case was appealed to Washington and the customs authorities were sustained.

GENTLEMAN BURGLAR NABBED.

Carried Electric Pocket Lamp and Pistol and Worked in the Early Evening.

SOMERVILLE, N. J., March 17.—John Walters, who has posed at the Berkeley Hotel at Bound Brook for several weeks as a "Southern gentleman of leisure," is in the Somerset county jail to-night, charged with committing numerous robberies in Bound Brook, Dunellen and North Plainfield. He was arrested yesterday and taken before Recorder Brampton. Much of the jewelry and other articles Walters had stolen were identified by their owners.

He said he had bought the stolen goods from a man at the hotel who represented himself as a jewelry drummer in hard luck.

The detectives say Walters operated while people were at church or absent from their homes at social functions. When he was arrested a revolver, an electric pocket lamp and five gold watches were found in the outside pockets of his overcoat.

DETECTIVES IN FOLDING BED.

When Money Is Handed Over They Pop Out Like Jack-in-Boxes.

Samuel Flum, proprietor of a pool and billiard room at Keap and Ainslie streets, Williamsburg, whose place had been raided by Capt. Martin Short more than a week ago on alleged information that he sold liquor without a license, was arraigned yesterday in the Flatbush court on a charge of attempting to bribe Patrolmen McClun and Lass by giving each \$15 to swear that they neither saw nor drank whiskey in his place.

The arrest was made at the home of Patrolman Lass, 153 Webster avenue, Parkville, on Wednesday night. The two officers arranged with Flum to call at the home of Lass to "talk the matter over."

Lass has an old folding bed. The interior of this was removed and Detective Sergeants Grossbeck and Roundsman Helwig of Inspector Baldwin's staff hid within it.

When Flum and McClun arrived the hidden officers were able to hear and see all that took place. It is alleged that Flum started right into the business of the occasion, offering each officer \$15 if he would testify in his favor at the trial of his case. The men took the money, making considerable show of handling it, in order that the detectives hidden in the folding bed might see what was going on to advantage.

At this point Serg. Grossbeck stepped out and placed Flum under arrest. He was almost dumfounded.

Magistrate Steers held Flum in \$1,000 for a hearing on Monday.

CRASH WITH WAGON FATAL.

Tobin Thrown From a Runabout in Nassau Street and His Skull Broken.

A United States Express Company's wagon going west on Liberty street ran into a light runabout going south on Nassau street, early last evening. One man was killed and another injured.

The dead man was Daniel J. Tobin, 25 years old, of 59 Beaver street, a lineman. He was riding in the runabout with Richard J. Donovan, a contractor, whose offices are at 110 Pearl street. The express wagon was driven by Charles Dineen, of 188 Seventh street, Jersey City. On the rear of his wagon was William Campbell, his helper.

When the two vehicles came together the heavy express wagon tossed the light runabout to one side and Donovan and Tobin were pitched into the street. Tobin's skull was fractured and several of his ribs were broken. He died a few minutes after Dr. Barringer got him to Hudson street hospital. Donovan escaped with slight injuries.

HELEN GOULD ON THE BOWERY

SPEAKS TO MISSION CONVERTS—WEEPS OVER THEIR WELCOME.

Reads the Scriptural Promises of Salvation, and Mrs. Russell Sage, Who Accompanies Her, Tells a Story—Cheering Through Says "She's All Right."

Miss Helen Gould and Mrs. Russell Sage made speeches at a crowded meeting held last night in the Bowery Mission. It was the first time that Miss Gould had addressed the Bowery Mission, and she was warmly received. At the mention of her name by Supt. John J. Hallimond every man in the room loudly applauded.

Miss Gould seemed very much touched. Tears trickled down her cheeks as she smiled and nodded. She said only a few words, but if she had talked for an hour there could have been more enthusiasm.

"She is a good woman," and "she's all right," men could be heard saying in various parts of the room.

Mrs. Russell Sage, who preceded Miss Gould, spoke at length. She also was heartily applauded. Mrs. Sarah J. Bird—"Mother Bird"—she is called on the Bowery—asked the quartet, which is composed of mission converts, to sing "Where Is My Wandering Boy To-night?" for Mrs. Sage.

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Supt. Hallimond in his prayer spoke of Miss Gould as "so to speak, national property, beloved on the Bowery as she is among the numbers of soldiers and sailors she has nursed and helped." Miss Gould did not know that she was to be asked to speak.

"My friends, I am very glad to be with you. I am not a public speaker. I wish I should be able to talk to you. Now, I only want to read to you a couple of verses from the Bible."

Then she read the passages, "For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life" (John iii, 16); and "Whosoever therefore shall confess Me before men, him will I confess also before My Father which is in heaven" (Matthew x, 32).

"I want you to think of these verses and to remember them," said Miss Gould.

The theme of Mrs. Sage's address was "Christ is always ready to receive you." To illustrate this she told a story of a little scullery maid, to whom a visiting clergyman taught the prayer "Show me myself."

When he next saw her she was very ill because she had seen herself in her sin, and she taught her another prayer: "Show me thyself." Years after a prosperous woman presented herself to the minister and said she had been the scullery maid to whom Christ had shown himself and who had been saved.

A number of converts and beneficiaries of the Bowery Mission afterward told him they had been reformed, and sandwiches and coffee were distributed.

Mrs. Sage and Miss Gould walked down the Bowery to the Bowery Mission, where they were to shake Miss Gould's hand.

AUTO CAB IN A TANTRUM.

Miss Shoemaker and Miss Peabody Thrown Out on Fifth Avenue.

An automobile cab containing Miss Blanchette L. Shoemaker, the daughter of Henry F. Shoemaker of 23 West Fifty-third street, and Miss Cornelia F. Peabody, the daughter of Stephen Peabody of 30 East Fifty-fourth street, furnished a sensation yesterday for the crowd that had grown weary of waiting for the St. Patrick's Day parade to swing up Fifth avenue.

The automobile, which was going up the avenue, had just dodged a mounted cop at Fifth street, when its steering and power apparatus got the cramps. The machine wandered pretty much all over the street.

Driver Joseph Fox jammed his helm down hard, first one way and then the other, but the automobile wouldn't steady itself and finally, after a short hop-skip-and-jump ragtime dance, made straight for the curb in front of Dr. W. Seward Webb's house at 60 Fifth avenue.

Miss Shoemaker and Miss Peabody had stood up to be ready for the worst. It came when the auto hit the curb and stopped short. Both young women went flying through the air to the sidewalk, the parade spectators falling back.

Miss Shoemaker landed on her feet, but twisted her ankle, spraining it severely, and then fell over, cutting her forehead. Miss Peabody landed lightly on her feet and bounced into the air again. She came down all right, and wasn't even scratched.

NUN ELOPES WITH HER PUPIL.

Sister Annette Runs Away From Mother Superior's Home to Marry.

DES MOINES, Ia., March 17.—It became known to-day that a nun, Sister Annette, had stolen away from the home of the Mother Superior at Cedar Rapids, and accompanied Harold Stevenson to Chicago where they were married.

Sister Annette is a music teacher and until lately was stationed at Burlington, where she taught pupils of both sexes until late at night. She fell in love with Stevenson, one of her pupils and when she was transferred to Cedar Rapids the elopement was decided upon.

WOMAN IN SWINDLERS' GANG.

Bertha Looney Arrested as One of the Fake Accident Suit Crowd.

Bertha Looney was arrested at a West Fifty-fourth street yesterday on a warrant from Newark, N. J., charging her with conspiracy to defraud the Public Service Corporation.

The woman was taken to the Tombs police court and held to await requisition papers.

It is alleged that Mrs. Looney belonged to a gang of swindlers who have defrauded Jersey street railway companies. One of their number would pretend to meet with an accident. Then all of the others would appear as witnesses.

The specific charge against Mrs. Looney is that she assisted in securing \$700 from the Public Service Corporation.

In all six men have been arrested on similar charges. One of them, Alfred Steinberger, was sentenced to three years imprisonment in the State penitentiary at John A. Blair in Jersey City yesterday.

THIEF IN FIFTH AVENUE.

Tried to Rob a Woman Parade Watcher in Front of the Cathedral.

Henry Calvert and his wife of 345 East Forty-second street watched the St. Patrick's day parade from in front of the Cathedral of the Holy Spirit yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Calvert wore on her neck a gold chain, attached to which was a locket set with diamonds. The whole thing Mrs. Calvert valued at \$350.

She suddenly felt a tugging at her throat and looking around saw a man trying to twist the chain apart. Mrs. Calvert screamed and her husband pounced on the man. The two were having a lively tussle when Detective Henry ran up and arrested the man. At the East Fifty-first street station he said he was William Long of 252 Eighth avenue.

PROGRAMME FOR CONGRESS.

Republican Steering Committee Favors Shelling a Number of Bills.

WASHINGTON, March 17.—The Republican steering committee of the Senate held a meeting this afternoon and discussed the programme for the rest of the session and the prospects of an early adjournment. While no decisive action was taken, it was agreed that the appropriation bills should be pushed along and that such bills as the Pure Food Bill, the Hepburn-Rayburn bill imposing an interstate tax on liquor, the Eight-Hour and Anti-Injunction bills, and the Fairbanks bill providing for a new building at Washington for the departments of State, Commerce and Justice, should be kept in the background and shelved. If the Sunday Civil and other appropriation bills can be disposed of by April 15, the Senate, so far as the Republicans are concerned, will be ready to adjourn.

HOLIDAY FOR IRISH ONLY.

Others Who Quit Work to Celebrate St. Patrick's Day Will Be Suspended.

LANSDOWN, Pa., March 17.—Employees of the Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company who remained away from work to-day to celebrate St. Patrick's Day will be asked if they are Irish when they report at the mines to-morrow.

Every man who cannot prove clear lineage descent from old Erin stock will be suspended for two weeks, as the company gave orders that none but Irish would be privileged to remain away from work to-day. The company asserts that the men are too eager to observe holidays and that hereafter work will be suspended at the collieries upon only four work days in the year.

FUNERAL POSTPONED.

The Man Who Was Sup